



# GORIZIA TAKEN WITH 10,000 AUSTRIANS; ITALIANS SWEEP ON TOWARD TRIESTE

## FEDERAL BOARD TO MEDIATE DEMANDS OF THE TRAINMEN; BIG STRIKE SEEMS REMOTE

**Railroad Managers Made Call and Brotherhoods Are Willing to Submit Dispute.**

**CONFERENCES AT ONCE.**

Chairman of Board Thinks Its Work Should Be Done Within 48 Hours.

The differences between the railway managers and the four railway brotherhoods, nearly 400,000 of whom members voted for a national strike, will be mediated by the United States Board of Mediation and Conciliation.

Elisha Lee, representing the railroad managers, to-day presented to the brotherhood managers a plea that they join with the roads in the offices of the Federal board to settle existing differences.

While the representatives of the railway brotherhoods at first refused formally to join with the road managers in a plea for mediation of the differences, A. B. Garretson, spokesman for the railway employees, announced this afternoon that the workers had accepted the offer of the board. The only stipulation Mr. Garretson made was that the board exercise its offices immediately.

**MEDIATORS EXPECT TO TAKE QUICK ACTION.**

The formal invitation of the Board of Mediation to the chiefs of the brotherhoods to take part in the mediation proceedings was borne to them by G. W. W. Hanger, a member of the board, who had a half-hour conference with the chiefs at the Hotel Woodstock at 1 o'clock.

Judge Chambers, chairman of the board, said that he would first hold a private conference with the road managers to learn their side of the case, and that late this afternoon he expected to have a similar meeting with the officials of the brotherhoods.

"I think all the machinery will be in operation before night," he added, "and forty-eight hours should suffice to effect all the work the board can accomplish."

The statement and request for joint action by Mr. Lee was made to-day in answer to the utterance of Mr. Garretson, who said yesterday, after the announcement of the 98 per cent. vote of the workers for a strike, that the railroad managers had never made any proposition to the workers.

Mr. Lee's statement was as follows: "The National Conference Committee of the railroads has again given most careful consideration to the matters in controversy between us and to all that has been said in our various conferences, which began on June 1. We have also carefully considered the serious situation presented by the result of the strike vote of employees and the grave responsibility which rests on both parties to the conference to exhaust every honorable means to avoid public injury which must inevitably result should you decide to exercise the power which the strike vote has placed in your hands.

**SMALL CHANCE FOR HARMONY UNLESS BY MEDIATION.**

"After such consideration, it is our judgment that the proposals which the men have supported by their vote involve such extraordinary changes in operating methods and such radical revision in established bases of compensation as to make it apparent that there is little probability of our being able to harmonize

## LIGHTNING CAUSES MINE BLOW-UP; 12 DEAD

Struck Wires and Charge Was Carried Into Shaft, Causing the Explosion.

MICHEL, R. C., Aug. 9.—Twelve men are known to be dead to-day and several are believed to be missing as a result of an explosion last night in No. 3 mine.

Lightning, which struck surface wires conducting power into the mine, is supposed to have caused the explosion.

## NORTHWEST WIND BEARS RELIEF TO NEW YORKERS

Thermometer Still Fairly High, but Breeze Tempers Heat and Cooler Weather Is Promised.

A steady breeze from the northwest brought New York its first pleasant day of the week, although the thermometer registered 80 degrees at 10 o'clock this morning. That is fairly warm, but below the figures for the last few days. The humidity was 63 at the same hour. At 2 o'clock the temperature had risen to 83, and the humidity had fallen to 53.

## VILLA BANDITS ATTACK TRAIN THAT IS GUARDED

Gen. Aguilar Killed in the Fray in Which 10 of the Hold-Ups Lost Their Lives.

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mexico, Aug. 9.—Villa bandits yesterday attacked a passenger train on the Torreon and Durango Railroad at Noria, it was learned to-day.

## AMERICAN HERO GETS THE "CROIX DE GUERRE"

Most Highly Prized War Decoration in France—Rescued Wounded as Bombs Burst About Him.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—Douglas MacMonagle of San Francisco, a graduate of the University of California and now a member of the American Ambulance Field Service, has been decorated with the "Croix de Guerre," the most highly prized military decoration in France.

## WHEAT UP 11 POINTS IN WILD TRADING; FORTUNES MADE

Rush to Buy on Report of Short Crop Brings Highest Prices Since War Boom of 1915.

## SMALL TRADERS WIN.

December and May Lead in Sensational Rise—Hoarded Holdings Are Let Go.

CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—Blights and storms that curtailed the wheat yield of the northwest made and unmade fortunes in Chicago to-day. Traders were in a fever of excitement over the Government report showing that the year's crop would be only about three-fifths normal, and when the market opened there was a rush to buy that sent prices kiting, an extreme gain of eleven points being made on the day. The prices to-day were the highest recorded since the war boom of 1915.

It was reported that James Patten, former wheat king, was among the big winners, and that the "Armour crowd" also won heavily. But most of the money was made by small investors who had played a hunch and were holding wheat in piker lots.

The brokers, some of whom took a chance and went short, were caught. A big Canadian firm which had sold wheat heavily was mentioned among the heavy losers.

So much excitement ruled in the pit at the opening that transactions in many cases were 3 cents apart at the same instant. The initial range on December varied from \$1.42 to \$1.45.

Jumps in the value of other options than December, although radical, were not quite so severe. Taken as a whole, the market opened 5 to 8 cents higher, and when relative steadiness was established showed 5 1/2 to 6 1/2 cents gain as compared with yesterday's close.

In later dealings the fever to buy rose to the phenomenal price of \$1.50 a bushel, an extreme ascent of \$1.40 over yesterday's final figures.

After midday the fever to buy grew more intense, and the market soared to 10 cents a bushel above yesterday's close, December wheat touching \$1.50. The market appeared to be entirely bare of offerings. An incentive for the late demand was an estimate by a leading authority that, owing to the increase of blight, the Canadian crop this season would be only 200,000,000 bushels, a shortage of 130,000,000 bushels under last year's total.

The pit was a bedlam at the end. September closed at \$1.44 1/2, a gain of 10 1/2 cents; December at \$1.48 3/8, an advance of 11 3/8, and May \$1.53, a rise of 11 1/4. In 1915 wheat at one time reached \$1.67 a bushel.

## SCHOOL OPENING; 57 DEATHS TO-DAY

Start of Fall Term Expected to Be Left Indefinite After Conference.

## FATALITIES SET RECORD

Queens and the Bronx Show Heaviest Losses in Twenty-four-Hour Report.

Fifty-seven deaths from infantile paralysis in Greater New York within the last twenty-four hours were reported by the Health Department to-day. This is a new high record, the previous high number having been fifty-five on Aug. 1.

The greatest increases were in Queens and the Bronx. Fourteen deaths were reported in Manhattan, a falling off of one from yesterday's figures. In Brooklyn and Richmond there were decreases from yesterday.

The number of new cases reported was 133, the same as yesterday's figures. In Manhattan there was a falling off. Brooklyn and Queens remained stationary, and there was only one new case in Richmond.

The question of postponing the opening of the public schools as the result of the epidemic is being considered this afternoon by the Mayor's Advisory Committee, which is meeting at the City Hall. President Willing of the Board of Education and Health Commissioner Emerson attended the meeting.

While no formal announcement has been made, it is known that the schools will not open at the usual time in September. The date of opening will probably be left indefinite, but it certainly will not be before Oct. 1, and maybe later.

In a statement to newspaper men to-day Commissioner Emerson said Police Commissioner Woods had assigned more men to aid the Health Department in keeping the city clean.

The police will be sent to infected districts and see that janitors of tenement houses clean up cellars, hallways and stairways. The house to house canvassers chosen by the Commissioner will begin their work to-morrow.

Following are the deaths and new cases to-day, compared with those of yesterday:

DEATHS.	
Boroughs.	To Day. Yesterday.
Brooklyn	21 27
Manhattan	14 15
Bronx	7 1
Queens	15 8
Richmond	9 1
Totals	67 62

NEW CASES.	
Boroughs.	To Day. Yesterday.
Brooklyn	89 89
Manhattan	47 54
Bronx	15 9
Queens	51 31
Richmond	1 6
Totals	183 189

Total deaths to date, 1,251. Total cases to date, 5,519.

In a bulletin issued by the Health Department to-day a summary is given of the work being done in the treatment of infantile paralysis. One of these consists in injecting into the muscles spinal fluid obtained from patients, on the theory that the spinal fluid contains the virus of the disease, and thus stimulates the production of "anti" bodies which may aid in overcoming the infection. Another treatment is the blood serum, in summing up the treatments the bulletin says:

## TWO LONG TERMERS ESCAPE IN AUTO FROM SING SING

First Steal Suits of Civilians' Clothes From Residence of a Keeper.

## HOT PURSUIT IS ON.

Both Had Been Detailed to Work at House Outside Prison Entrance.

(Special to The Evening World.)

OSSENING, Aug. 9.—Two convicts serving long terms in Sing Sing Prison escaped from in front of the entrance in a high-power automobile shortly after 11 o'clock this morning.

The alarm of alarm was sounded within a few minutes after the men got away and all adjoining towns were notified, but no sign of the convicts, dressed in stolen civilian clothes, or of the automobile, was reported.

The prisoners were John B. Ryan, who was sentenced from New York City in January, 1916, to ten years for robbery, and August Plashy, who was sentenced to serve nine years and six months for a robbery committed in Tottenville, S. L. in March, 1912.

The men were sent from beyond the prison walls by Yardmaster Thomas Wheeler and were detailed to do some work at his home on a hill about a hundred feet from the prison entrance.

The men had been at work but a few minutes when they disappeared. They went to the top floor of the house, which is owned by the State but used as a keeper's residence, and stole two suits of clothes. They then went to the old prison quarry in back of the house and changed their clothes. The prison uniforms were found there later.

A keeper leaving the prison on his morning tour of the hill and gave the alarm. They ran to a road 200 yards east of the hill and the pursuing keeper reached a brow of the hill he saw them beckon to the fugitives entered the car. It went south at high speed.

Prison officials have not been able to learn whether the car was waiting for the men as part of the plot or whether the chauffeur was forced to aid them against his will. In the last escape Ernest Le Ford, a hotel thief, had two autos waiting near the prison for him.

Warden Osborne was not at the prison at the time, having left for a visit to Danvers, N. J. Spencer Miller, the warden's confidential clerk and assistant, took immediate charge of the search. Autos were commandeered and brought to the prison as rapidly as possible and guards armed with shotguns were sent to search the roads of upper Westchester. A car answering the description of that used by the fugitives was reported passing a nursery in Scarborough and two cars filled with armed guards were sent there.

In the alarm sent to the police of nearby towns Strong was described as being twenty-six years old, of medium build and dark complexion. Plashy is thirty-two years old, 5 feet 8 inches in height, and weighs about 140 pounds. He has brown hair and is of light complexion.

## HAUL UP 10,000 SHELLS.

The Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company to-day raised the hull of the barge Isabel which was owned by the Johnson Lighterage Company and destroyed as a result of the Black Tom explosion on the night of July 29. The hull was raised at pier No. 17 of the Jersey Central Railroad in Jersey City where the barge was towed after taking fire.

## RUSSIANS GAIN SIX MILES IN DRIVE THROUGH GALICIA

### ITALIAN ARMY CHIEF WHO WON BIG VICTORY IN GORIZIA BATTLE.



## NEW LONDON SAYS SUBMARINE LINER BREMEN IS NOW DUE

Big Shed Being Rushed Up on Pier by Company Operating Undersea Boats.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Aug. 9.—The German submarine Bremen is expected to arrive at this port, at any time, it was understood here, according to the New London Day this afternoon.

The Bremen was not sighted up to 4 o'clock this afternoon, but it is said that she is waiting submerged outside Fisher's Island.

A gang of laborers has been busy all day clearing away the debris for the foundations for a big warehouse and shed to be erected on the new State pier for possible use by the Eastern Forwarding Company. This is the American corporation which is handling the traffic of the German submarine line. Space on the pier has been leased for a year and it is said that this city will be the principal American terminal for the undersea line.

## DIES IN POLICE STATION.

### Brooklyn Woman Succumbs After Making Complaint.

Mrs. James S. Shapley, fifty-five years old, of No. 725 Park Place, Brooklyn, died of heart failure at noon to-day in the office of Police Inspector Samuel McElroy of the Eleventh District, Brownsville. She had just uttered a complaint of boys who were raising a disturbance near her home, and was talking the Inspector for his courtesy when she fell to the floor. Dr. Cohen of St. John's Hospital was summoned in an ambulance and she died in his office.

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## Capture of Gorizia Officially Announced in Rome, the Greatest Achievement of Italians in the War—Austrians in Retreat, Pursued by Cavalry.

## GERMANS GET FIRM HOLD ON THE THIAUMONT WORK.

Rome officially announces the capture of the city of Gorizia and the taking of 10,000 Austrian prisoners. Other reports say the Austrians have abandoned all of the principal positions on the Isonzo and Carso fronts and that the Italian cavalry is in pursuit of the retreating army.

Petrograd announces the occupation of the town of Tysmenitsa in Galicia. This town is eight miles east of Stanislaw. Its capture indicates an advance of six miles in the last twenty-four hours. According to the Petrograd statement 7,400 Teutons, including 3,500 Germans, were taken prisoners on August 7.

New gains of the Allies on the Somme front in Northern France are being held firmly in the face of heavy counterattacks by the Germans, according to the Paris official statement to-day.

Northeast of Verdun the bitter struggle for possession of the Thiaumont work and the village of Fleury is continuing. The Germans have driven further into the Thiaumont position and only its outskirts are now held by the French.

Gen. Haig reports slight gains north of Pozieres.

## CAPTURE OF AUSTRIAN FORTRESS OFFICIALLY CLAIMED BY ROME

Austrians Reported to Have Abandoned All Their Principal Positions on the Isonzo and Carso Fronts Near Gorizia.

ROME, Aug. 29.—"We captured Gorizia this morning, taking 10,000 prisoners," said an official statement from the War Office this afternoon.

The battle is spreading along the Isonzo. In the first two days of the great offensive more than 15,000 Austrian prisoners were captured. The Austrians resisted with the greatest stubbornness and suffered frightful losses.

Following is the text of the Italian War Office statement:

"This morning our troops entered the town of Gorizia. Yesterday morning in the Gorizia area, after intense artillery preparation, our infantry completed occupation of the heights west of the town, driving out the last remaining hostile detachments. Trenches and dugouts were found full of the bodies of Austrian soldiers. The enemy, completely routed, had left large quantities of arms, ammunition and material.

"At nightfall detachments of the Casale and Pavia Brigades crossed the Isonzo and consolidated themselves on the left bank. A column of cavalry and Bersaglieri cyclists promptly launched in pursuit of the enemy beyond the river. In the mean time our engineers were throwing new bridges across the river and repairing those damaged by the enemy.

"On Carso Plateau our troops

repulsed several counter-attacks on the summit of Monte San Michele and captured more trenches in the neighborhood of the village of San Martino.

"Up to the present time we have taken about 10,000 prisoners. More are coming in. The exact quantity of material taken by us has not yet been ascertained, but it is very considerable."

LONDON, Aug. 9.—London, while awaiting details of the capture of the Austrian stronghold of Gorizia, is rejoicing over the greatest achievement of the Italians during the present war. For fourteen months this fortified city has blocked the Italians in their invasion of Austria from the west.

The Austrians, pursued by Italian cavalry, have abandoned nearly all their principal positions on the Isonzo and Carso fronts, following the taking of the Gorizia bridgehead by the Italians, according to a wireless despatch from Rome this afternoon.

The Italians are believed to have stormed the citadel city last night or early to-day, only a few hours after they had battered their way to victory at the Gorizia bridgehead and had captured Monte San Michele, overlooking Gorizia from the south.

Following successful artillery action, the Italians also completed the occupation of heights west of Gorizia, said the official despatch from Rome. Large quantities of